

REMARKS

The Amendment submitted September 26, 2005, in the above-identified application, is noted. This Amendment included all of original claims 1-30 and new claim 31. Moreover, this Amendment included a response to the election-of-species requirement set forth on page 2 of the Office Action mailed May 25, 2005.

Specifically, Applicants elected the Species 1), that is, wherein the support film has a specified linear thermal expansion coefficient. Applicants contended that claims 1, 4 and 7-14, of the original claims, read on the elected species; and, in addition, submitted that newly added claim 31, a generic claim, also read on the elected species.

Upon further review of newly added claim 31, claim 31 is being amended herein in order to provide claim 31 consistent with original claims 1-3 in reciting an adhesive film for semiconductor which is "adapted" for use in a specified process; and to correct typographical errors in characteristics (2) and (3). Comparing characteristics (2) and (3) with claims 2 and 3, clearly the present amendments merely correct typographical errors and clearly do not add new matter to the application.

Initially, it is respectfully submitted that the present Supplementing Amendment should be entered as a matter of right; that is, it is respectfully submitted that 37 CFR 1.111(a)(2) is not applicable to the present situation. It is respectfully submitted that the Amendment submitted September 26, 2005, is not such a reply as referred to in 37 CFR 1.111(a)(1) and 37 CFR 1.104(a), as the Office Action mailed May 25, 2005 did not, for example, make a thorough investigation of the available prior art relating to the subject matter of the claimed invention, and thus it is respectfully submitted that 37 CFR 1.111(a)(2) is not

applicable to the present situation.

In any event, even were 37 CFR 1.111(a)(2) applicable hereto, attention is respectfully directed to 37 CFR 1.111(a)(2)(i)(E), and, particularly in view thereof, it is respectfully submitted that entry of the present amendments is proper.

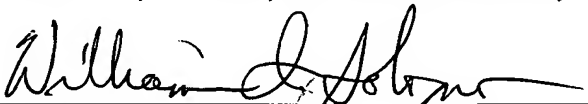
Applicants respectfully submit that claim 31 as currently amended is a generic claim in connection with the Species 1)-3) listed on page 2 of the Office Action mailed May 25, 2005; renew their election of Species 1), as set forth previously, and again note that upon allowance of claim 31 that species 2) and 3) should be re-joined in the above-identified application and issued in a U.S. Patent based upon the above-identified application.

Entry of the present amendments, as well as the amendments in the Amendment filed September 26, 2005; and, subsequent thereto, examination of the claim reading on Species 1), on the merits, in due course, including examination of claim 31, are respectfully requested.

Applicants request any shortage of fees due in connection with the filing of this paper be charged to the Deposit Account of Antonelli, Terry, Stout & Kraus, LLP, Deposit Account No. 01-2135 (case 523.41628VX1), and credit any excess payment of fees to such Deposit Account.

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